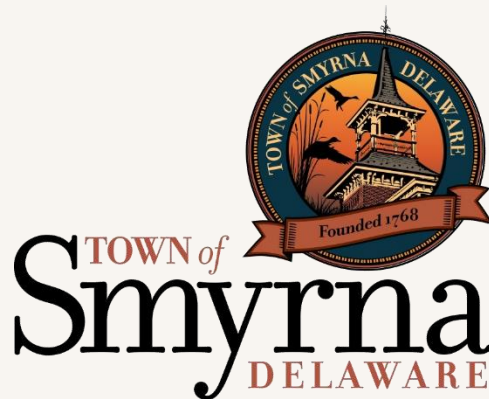


Meetings and Agendas

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12/3/2020

Thursday Town Tidbits

HOLIDAY ONLINE SHOPPING

An infographic titled 'HOLIDAY ONLINE SAFETY' with a blue and white color scheme and snowflake patterns. It features an illustration of a person wearing a winter hat and using a laptop. The main heading is 'TIP #1: CHECK YOUR DEVICES'. Below this, it says: 'Before making any online purchases, make sure the device you're using to shop online is up-to-date. Next, take a look at your accounts and ask, do they each have strong passwords? And even better, if two-factor authentication is available, are you using it?'. There are four numbered tips: 1. 'Protect your devices by keeping the software up-to-date. These include items like mobile phones, computers, and tablets, but also appliances, electronics, and children's toys.' 2. 'Once you've purchased an internet connected device, change the default password and use different and complex passwords for each one. Consider using a password manager to help.' 3. 'Check the device privacy and security settings to make sure you understand how your information will be used and stored. Also make sure you're not sharing more information than you want or need to provide.' 4. 'Enable automatic software updates where applicable, as running the latest version of software helps ensure the manufacturers are still supporting it and providing the latest patches for vulnerabilities.' The infographic includes a small town seal in the bottom left corner and a URL 'Learn more at cisa.gov/shop-safety' at the bottom right.

The holiday season is a prime time for hackers, scammers, and online thieves. Due to the pandemic, this holiday season may look and feel a bit different, but we all still need to be aware of the potential dangers online shopping can bring and the ways we can protect ourselves. While millions of Americans will be online looking for the best gifts and Cyber Monday deals, hackers will be looking to take advantage of unsuspecting shoppers by searching for weaknesses in their devices or internet connections or attempting to extract personal and financial information through fake websites or charities.

The best defense against these threats is awareness. Here's tip #1 that we all can take to be more secure before and after we shop.

LEAF COLLECTION



Leaf Collection is on now through December 31st, you will see the Public Works crews picking up piles of leaves from curbside with our leaf machine.

The machine will ONLY pick up loose leaves so please do not include any yard waste in your piles. Due to the quantity of streets and leaves, the crew is unable to accommodate special requests for pick up. Thank you for your patience and cooperation on this matter!

TOWN OFFICES HOURS LIMITED

Due to increasing COVID-19 cases, the Town of Smyrna offices will limit the open public hours for in-person customer service needs. Staff will be **available by phone** throughout the normal business day (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) and reached at 302-653-9231.

Staff is here to help you in a safe manner; **a mask covering your nose and mouth must be worn** to receive in-person service. Thank you for your understanding, cooperation, and effort to limit exposure.

**PUBLIC HOURS
8 AM - 12:30 PM**

SMYRNA TOWN HALL
AND
SMYRNA PLANNING &
INSPECTIONS

REVERSE PARADE AND ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING

The Smyrna/Clayton July 4th Foundation, Inc. is having a "Reverse Christmas Parade" this year. The parade will be on Sunday, December 6th at 5 PM. If you are interested in being in the parade you may begin showing up at 3:30 PM but must be in line and ready to be viewed by the public at 4:45 PM. You must enter the line up area using the entrance to the Clayton side parking lot by the tennis courts.

Rules for parade participants/groups:

You must stay with your group and cannot wonder around before or during the parade.

You must follow Social distancing procedures while in the line up and parade area ie; everyone must wear a mask, social distance when possible, groups must provide hand sanitizer to the people in their group upon request.

You are not permitted to hand out any items or approach any vehicles of anyone passing by in the parade.

Rules for public passing through the parade area:

You are not permitted to have any interaction with groups or participants in the parade.

You cannot hand anything out to anyone in the parade.

You are not required to wear a mask if your family members are the ones in your vehicle.

You are not permitted to stop during the parade for any reason like pictures etc.

When you leave the SHS parking lot on the Smyrna side of the building you must turn right at go towards N. Main St you will not be allowed to go towards Clayton.

Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be at 6:15 PM with no in-person spectators. It can be enjoyed live on Facebook!

NEW ONLINE BILLING SYSTEM



This is your last month to switch to the new online billing system! You still can view and pay your invoices on Bill Trust until December 31, 2020.

However, customers wishing to continue having the convenience of paying and viewing online will need to **sign up for a new account** on the new online portal, [Click2Gov](#). You sign up with your current account number; there will not be new account numbers assigned.

This service provides immediate payment history and reporting to both you the customer and the Town to better

maintain utility accounts.

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TOGETHER.**

Limit your exposure in public
settings and wear your mask
to keep Delawareans safe.



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